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SUBJECT INVITATION TO ATTEND NATIONAL SAFETY BELT
USAGE CONFERENCE

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT. QUOTE:

VERY MUCH HOPE THAT A REPRESENTATIVE OF GOA DEPT. OF
TRANSPORT CAN PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL SAFETY BELT USAGE
CONFERENCE SPONSORED BY US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,
NOVEMBER 28-30, 1973, WASHINGTON, D.C. AS INDICATED
IN AN EARLIER INVITATION RELAYED THROUGH DR. PETER MUECKE,
SCIENTIFIC ATTACHE IN YOUR EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, D.C.,
DOT WILL COVER EXPENSES FOR YOUR REPRESENTATIVE. WE
ANTICIPATE SOME 400 PARTICIPANTS DRAWN FROM PUBLIC
OFFICIALS AND CITIZEN LEADERS FROM THROUGHOUT THE US
AND OTHER COUNTRIES. SIGNED J. WILLIAM BETHEA, NATIONAL
SAFETY BELT USAGE CONFERENCE COORDINATOR, N42-11,
NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20591, USA. UNQUOTE.

2. FOR EMBASSY'S BACKGROUND, INITIAL INVITATION EXTENDED
VIA AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON AS INDICATED IN
MESSAGE. SUBSEQUENTLY, DR. PETER VULCAN OF GOA DEPT. OF
TRANSPORT VISITED WASHINGTON, D.C., AND WAS APPRISED OF
DOT DESIRE TO HAVE AUSTRALIAN PARTICIPATION. IN TELCON
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WITH J. WM. BETHEA OF DOTA ON OCT. 16, DR. VULCAN
REPORTED FINAL DECISION ON PERSON TO REPRESENT AUSTRALIA
AWAITED ARRIVAL OF NEW SECRETARY AT DEPT. OF TRANSP. ON
OCTOBER 30 AND SUGGESTED THAT FOLLOW-ON CABLE BE SENT.
DOT WOULD APPRECIATE PERSONAL FOLLOWUP IN ORDER TO
EXPEDITE RESPONSE SINCE PROGRAM PRINTING IS PENDING. KISSINGER

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